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SUBJECT: TUZLA "COMINFORMISTS" SENTENCED

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1. SEVEN PERSONS ARRESTED IN TUZLA EARLY THIS YEAR FOR HOSTILE ACTIVITY HAVE BEEN GIVEN SENTENCES RANGING FROM 18 MONTHS TO 9 YEARS, REPORTS JULY 3 TANJUG DISPATCH. LONGEST SENTENCE DRAWN BY TEUFIK SEMILOVIC, DESCRIBED BY TANJUG AS "IDEOLOGICAL LEADER" OF GROUP. UNUSUALLY DETAILED TANJUG COMMENTARY CARRIED IN JULY 3 BORBA AND POLITIKA REPEATED BASIC ACCUSATIONS AGAINST SEVEN, ADDING INTENT TO "UNDERMINE THE COUNTRY'S CONCEPT OF NATIONWIDE DEFENSE AND NONALIGNED FOREIGN POLICY". GROUP "STROVE TO RESTORE THE EARLIER RELATIONSHIP -- CENTRALISM -- AND IMPOSE ALIEN MASTERS AND VIEW ON THE WORLD", TANJUG DECLARED. COMMENTARY ALSO REFERRED TO GROUP'S DRAWING SUPPORT FROM VARIOUS SOURCES INCLUDING "TECHNO-BUREAUCRATIC FORCES" IN VARIOUS BRANCHES OF YUGOSLAV PTT.

2. COMMENT: FROM COMMENTARY IT SEEMS EVIDENT THAT GROUP, WHILE IDEOLOGICALLY CONNECTED WITH BAR CONGRESS GROUP SENTENCED LAST YEAR, DID NOT HAVE CONTACTS OUTSIDE YUGOSLAVIA. WE NOTE COMMENTARY GOES TO SOME LENGTHS TO
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DESCRIBE SUPPORT RECEIVED BY CONVICTED SEVEN IN CONTRAST

TO MORE USUAL PRACTICE OF EMPHASIZING ISOLATED NATURE
OF SUCH OPPOSITION.
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